

The Better Cook—Man or Woman?

In a general way the average woman can cook and the average man certainly cannot! When, however, we turn to palaces, clubs or hotels, we invariably find the chef is a man, a highly-trained specialist who has chosen a career in cuisine.

The College
Fetish

Dorothy Dix

Warns Parents
Against
Needless
Sacrifices

A College Education Cannot Work Miracles. It Cannot Give More Than the Student Puts Into His Work, So Before Sacrificing for Your Children, Make Sure That They Are Worth It.

A woman writes me a letter in which she says:

"Is a college education a necessity or a luxury for poor people of ordinary intelligence?"

"I am the mother of four children who just possess average ability. Even my partial eyes can see no sparkle of unusual talent in them. To send them to college after they have graduated from the high school will mean years of grueling sacrifice for their father and myself. Is it worth while? Is a college education a luxury or is it a necessity that I am in duty bound to give my children no matter what the cost to myself?"

I firmly believe that it is the duty of parents to see that their children have a good, sound, elementary education. After that, it all depends on the individual child and the circumstances of the parents. A boy or girl shows the fair of genius in any line, a father and mother are justified in making many sacrifices to develop it. But even here it is to be remembered that it is just as easy to smother a talent with too much kindness as it is to starve it with neglect. The old saying that you can't keep a good man down is true. If a man and woman have it in them to do things, they will do them against any odds. Indeed, the very lack of opportunities is a spur in their sides.

In proof of this read "Who's Who." Not one in ten of the men and women whose achievements are recorded in that register of notables had many advantages of early education or training. On the contrary, they fought their way up from the furrows of cornfields and from backwoods villages. And just because their struggle was so hard they developed every bit of strength and ability that was in them.

As for studious children, nothing will hold them from their own. You might as well try to restrain a starving man from partaking of the feast that is spread before him as to keep a bookish man from reading. The whole world of printed matter is his birthright, and he will get an education whether he ever sees a college gate or not.

Besides, no boy or girl who really wants a college education is deterred from getting one in these days. There is not a university in the country that has not some way arranged by which poor and ambitious students can work their way through it.

For these reasons, it seems to me that there is no more tragic and pitiful mistake than the sacrifices that so many parents make to send their children to college.

Because they themselves have never had a college education, they regard it with a superstitious awe and reverence, as if it were some new and unknown god. They naively believe that it can work miracles, and that if only the fringe of its sacred mantle touches their children they will be assured of every blessing for life. Therefore, father and mother humbly offer themselves up as a living sacrifice on its altar.

Everywhere you will find parents who are literally killing themselves to send their children off to college. They are denying themselves the actual food that they need. They are doing without the dentistry, or the little operation, or the vacation that would lengthen their days. Mother turns off the cook and does the housework, although it is too much for her strength and her age. She wears her clothes until they are threadbare. Father takes on more work and grows more and more hump-shouldered and shabby-looking day by day.

More than that, at middle age people should be laying up something for their rainy day or else they are dooming themselves to the terrible fate of a dependent old age. And so when they impoverish themselves by sending their children to college they have made the supreme sacrifice to their selfishness.

Sometimes the sacrifice is justified. Not often. Sometimes a girl or boy does make the best of the advantages offered her or him and does find in a college education the tools with which to carve out a career.

Generally, all that the youngsters come home with is a college yell and a lot of half-baked theories that unfit them for the life they are destined to lead.

This is no reflection on the colleges. They would gladly turn every youth and maiden attending them into savants, but it is sadly true that you can only give to the young what they wish to take.

WOMEN and THE HOME

You can lead them to the Pierian spring, but you cannot make them drink of its waters.

Nearly all boys and girls want to go to college because it is the thing to do. They are interested in college sports and college clothes, and want to be able to talk about their fraternities and sororities, and their college larks. But very few of them have any serious yearning for study.

Therefore, before poor parents make the heroic sacrifice of themselves involved in sending their children to college, it is a wise thing to make a careful appraisal of the said children and try to ascertain whether their boys and girls will get enough out of college to make it pay.

If John and Mary are intellectual, if they are hungry for culture, if they have some definite ideal to which they are straining, if they are ambitious, it is one thing. If John is just the ordinary, practical, common-sense sort of a boy, and Mary is a pretty girl whose only talent is for combing her hair and knowing how to wear her clothes, and the chief object of both of them is to have a good time, why, that's another story.

And don't forget that the boys and girls who are not students are wasting their time at college and acquiring idle habits that will be their bane through life.

After all, a college education is a good deal like an automobile. It is fine for those who need it, who want it and who can afford it and know how to use it. But it isn't worth sacrificing a whole family in order to bestow it on a pampered child.

DOROTHY DIX.

Social and Personal

Mrs. W. Thompson was a recent guest with friends in Hamilton.

Mrs. R. D. Huestis is going to Toronto tomorrow, where she will spend the week-end.

Mr. W. N. Manning has returned to the city after spending several days in Toronto.

Miss Doris Scott has returned home after spending the summer at the Hotel Sunset, Goderich.

Mr. James Morrison, Queen's avenue, leaves tonight for New York, where he will spend the coming week.

Miss Edna Davidson has returned to the city after spending the summer months at the Hotel Sunset, Goderich.

Miss Babbie Moore, who has been in Montreal and Toronto during the summer months, has returned to town.

Mrs. J. C. Middleton, The Ridgeway, is home after spending the past week in Toronto, the guest of her sister.

Prof. John Russell of the chemistry department of the Western Ontario University is spending a few days in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bissell and son have returned to the city after spending the summer at their cottage, Port Stanley.

Miss Olive Wright is spending her vacation with her brother, Mr. Eli Wright and other relatives in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. T. Wright and Mrs. A. Mick and Miss Margaret Mick of Detroit are guests with Mrs. William Prust in South London.

Mrs. John Givins and family, who have spent the summer at Sarnia Beach, are returning to town the middle of the month.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Melvin, Central avenue, have returned home after a delightful trip to Niagara Falls and the Thousand Islands.

Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Elliot and Miss Phyllis Elliot, Ridout street, have returned home from Goderich, where they spent the summer.

Dr. and Mrs. D. C. Macgregor, Queen's avenue, have returned home after a delightful visit spent near Owen Sound, Georgian Bay.

Mrs. Richard Matthews and her mother, Mrs. Mary Dunlop, Sterling street, have returned home after spending a week in Toronto.

Mr. W. M. Manning and family have returned to the city after a delightful holiday spent at the Hotel Sunset, Goderich, Lake Huron.

Mrs. Lyons Bigger, who has been a guest with Mrs. Ronald Harris and Miss Harris at Eldon House, has returned to her home in Ottawa.

Miss Ethel Wilson, a September bride-elect, is visiting in Hamilton, the guest of Mrs. Victor Wilson, who is entertaining in her honor today.

Mrs. O. I. Cunningham, Belgrave place, is entertaining the Sunshine Club of Trinity Chapter, O. E. S., at her home Tuesday evening of next week.

The Misses Winona and Lydia Brydon, South London, have returned to town after spending the summer months in England and on the continent.

Dr. R. C. Dearle of Western Ontario University, Mrs. Dearle and family have returned to the city after spending the summer at their cottage, Bayfield, Lake Huron.

Dr. and Mrs. Paul M. Andrus, Queen Alexandra Sanatorium, left on Monday on a motor trip to New York City where they will spend the coming two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. William Prust and Miss Laura Prust of Tecumseh avenue have returned from a motor trip to Detroit, where they were holiday guests with friends.

Mrs. J. G. Boucher and daughter, Miss Margaret, have returned home after holidaying in the Georgian Bay district with the former's sister, Mrs. Edmund Lally Howell.

Mrs. Ella Elliott and Miss Carswell have returned home after spending the past six weeks at Shawinigan Falls, Quebec, guests with Dr. and Mrs. George Shaw.

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Dingman, Kensington Apartments, and young son who have spent the summer with Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Griffith in St. Thomas, have returned to town.

Miss Helen M. Percival, nurse-in-training at the University Hospital, Ann Arbor, Mich., is home for a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Percival, Central avenue.

In honor of Miss Ethel Wilson, a bride-elect of this month, Mrs. A. E. McClary and Mrs. Clifford Gray entertained recently at a kitchen shower at their summer home, Port Stanley.

Major Archibald Graham, Mrs. Graham and Mr. Douglas Graham of Chesley were in the city this week following a delightful motor trip through Eastern Ontario.

Miss McDermid has returned to her home in Los Angeles, California, after a few months' visit with her niece, Mrs. T. T. Leckie, Oxford street, and other relatives in Hensall and Kilmarnock.

Mrs. Shuttleworth King, accompanied by her three children, Rosemary, Ronald and Mac, is expected in town the first week in October, after spending the summer in England.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Johnson, Rathgar street, accompanied by their two daughters, have returned to town after spending a delightful vacation at Old Orchard Beach and Portland, Maine.

Mrs. D. H. Williams of Ottawa, formerly of this city, has taken an apartment on Queen's avenue for the winter months. Mrs. Jacobs of Dewinton, Alta., will spend the winter with her.

Miss Isabel C. Armstrong of Ottawa arrived yesterday night and will be a guest with her brother, Mr. Murray T. Armstrong, and Mrs. Armstrong, Adelaide Apartments, for the coming week.

Mr. M. J. Doherty, Mrs. T. Kin-sella, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gaines and family of Cleveland, Ohio, who are touring Canada, spent the week with Mr. and Mrs. W. McLaughlin, 11 Oxford street, city.

Miss Mary Huestis of Toronto and Mrs. H. Fellows of Virginia are coming to town next week and will spend a few days in town the guests of their brother, Mr. R. D. Huestis, and Mrs. Huestis.

Rev. Bruce Hunter, accompanied by his family, has returned home after a delightful holiday spent at Oak Lake. Mr. Hunter will be in his pulpit at the First Methodist Church on Sunday.

Among the Londoners who went to Hamilton yesterday to attend the Kiwanis district convention were Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Amero, Mr. and Mrs. John McHale, Mr. and Mrs. John Buchanan, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Hayden.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Travers of Detroit will be week-end guests with Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Johnston, Colborne street. Miss Betty Wilson of Sarnia will also spend the week-end in London, the guest of Miss Shirley Johnston.

Mr. and Mrs. George Miller are among those Toronto tomorrow to visit Mrs. Day, Emery street. Accompany them are Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Holladay, who will visit their daughter, Mrs. G. A. Gilles, of St. James' street, for a few days.

Mrs. W. G. Coles, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Eloise Coles, is leaving at the end of the week for Montreal, where she will visit her sister, Mrs. Helen Coles. Miss Eloise Coles is entering the Sacred Heart Convent at Sault au Recollet.

Miss Helen Talbot, B.A., has been appointed private secretary to Dean P. S. McKibben at the University of Western Ontario. She is returning at the end of the week from Magnetawan, where she spent the summer the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Jordan.

Mr. Wilfred R. Short and Mr. Clem Waumyer motored from Buffalo to spend the holiday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Short, 771 Quebec street. On the return trip they visited in Hamilton and Toronto. Mr. Clifford Curnoe returned with them.

Miss Helen d'Avignon, who has been at Orendaga Camp, Port Bruce, for the summer, leaves today for Windsor on her vacation. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Dorothy d'Avignon, and her mother, Mrs. d'Avignon of Windsor, who have been guests at Orendaga Camp.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Day, Mrs. H. A. McCorkell of St. Thomas have returned home after an extended motor trip to Montreal and through the New England States, visiting Mrs. H. E. Cairncross and Dr. Walter and Dr. Charles Cole.

Mrs. Kenneth Greene was the hostess this afternoon of a charming tea given at the Kennels in honor of Mrs. Arthur Brickenham, who has recently returned from abroad. Tea was poured by Mrs. David Arnot; and Mrs. W. C. Falls, and the decorations were carried out in gladioli and asters in paste, shades.

Mrs. Harold Meek, wife of Harold Meek, formerly of this city, now known as Edouard Albion, and singing in grand opera in Washington, D. C., was a recent guest with the latter's people at their summer home

When the Wind Blows.

Wind, which is really air in motion, does not in itself make any noise. In its course over the earth's surface it meets with obstacles, trees, chimney pots, houses, narrow streets, and the like.

For Fair Week---

A SPECIAL SHOWING OF

Women's Coats

To be abreast of the mode for Fall and Winter you must wear a Fur-Trimmed Coat, and after all there is no other garment so smart or of such rich appearance. For Fair Week we are showing two special lines. They come in plain or novelty polaires and duvetynes with fur collar and cuffs, and around the bottom of the coat; they have moderate or the new narrow sleeves. Specially priced at \$35.00 and \$37.50



Smart Fall Coats in cut velours and imported duvetynes. They are self-trimmed, and are the very latest models; fully lined, they make a warm as well as stylish coat for the cooler days that are coming. These come in the following colors: Gray, sand, cocoa and black. Remarkable values at these prices \$18.50, \$22.50, \$25.00, \$28.50

CANTON CREPE DRESSES

These are two lines of Canton Crepe Dresses that are specially priced for Western Fair visitors. They are made from rich heavy fabric, and are trimmed either with lace or frilling of the same material. Some are straight lines while others have the close-fitting bodice and full skirt. The colors are sand, cocoa, navy, black. Two very special values at \$18.50 and \$19.50

Silks—

Satin-Back Cantons, Canton Crepes, and Flat Crepes, they're all here for your choosing. These are the outstanding fabrics for fall, and you would be well advised to do your selecting now while the color range is intact. They come in the following colors: Black, navy, sand, cocoa, grey and the new shades of blue. They're all 40 inches wide. \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$3.98

Plaid Crepes—

Wool Crepes in the season's fashionable pattern—plaids. This is one of fall's most popular wool dress materials, and you couldn't get a more suitable material for the season. The colors are sand, cocoa, light and dark grey, green, Belgian blue, navy, with plaids and overchecks in contrasting colors. \$1.98 and \$2.25

Flannels—

In the new plaid patterns and a wide range of colors. They are 54 inches wide and of fine weave. Fashion calls flannels for fall so choose early. These are specially priced at \$3.00

Hosiery—

Women's Silk Ribbed Lisle Hose, seamless and ribbed to the toe. The color range is as follows: Black, grey, brown and stucco. Sizes from 8-12 to 10. Specially priced at \$1.00 Pair

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